Performance of DRDO

2959. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state.

(a) the details of major projects undertaken by the Defence Research and Developmnt Organisation (DRDO) since 1980;

(b) how far these projeets have been completed;

(c) whether the performance of DRDO is monitored;

(d) if so, what are the paramet ers; and

(e) in what manner the organisa tion has helped India's Defence efforts to achieve self sufficiency?

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Technology Discipline	No. of major projects
Aeronautics	4
Armaments	1
Electronics	3
Naval Systems	2
Rockets, Missiles & allied facilities	4
TOTAL	14

10 projects were undertaken to meet the requirements of Services and 4 were undertaken to build up technological facilities and testing infrastructure.

(b) Two major projects have been completed and six are in advanced stage of progress.

(c) and (d) DRDO projects are monitored through various review mechanisms such as programme management boards, steering ocm-mittees, research & development panels, project design review, project status review, peer review etc.

These bodies review project progress vis-a-vis original financial sanction, time frame and technological goals In addition, progress of important projects has also been deviewed by by Raksha Rajya Mantri, Chiefs *ot* three Services and Corporate Review Committees.

(e) R & D efforts of DRDO have already led to successful deve lopment and production of more than one thousand items for meeting the specific requirements of the Services.